

Brother Mackey, or any other authorized medium, and let that be the end of it.

I was made to feel very sad by the announcement of the death of brother Henry J. Frantz, of Wellington, Kansas. It does appear so strange that he should die and I should live. He was so strong and healthy, apparently, when we last met a few years ago, and bade fair for a ripe old age. Then he was so kind to his family, and useful in his neighborhood, just the kind of a man that should live, seems to me; but then, too, the only class of men who are fit to die. So we will continue to believe that the Lord knoweth best and doeth all things well. I mourn with the bereaved family, for I too have lost a good friend.

There has been much sickness in this community this winter. Brother Knepper, our pastor, had a severe attack of La Grippe, but is convalescing. I took a trip to Johnstown, soon after New Year, to attend Brother Haskin's meetings, and after several days enjoyment of the services, I took a severe chill, and was sent home sick. I have not yet fully recovered from the relapse. I was entertained at the preachers' home, conducted by Brother and Sister Crofford and family. Thanks. When I go to Johnstown again, there will be warmer weather.

I cannot find my copy of the "Brethren's Encyclopedia." If any one should have borrowed it, I will be thankful to have it returned by return mail. If it should be lost, who will loan me a copy for a year?

I have also lost my copy of the Brethren Almanac, for 1872, and would like to have the use of one for a short time.

I rejoice in the success of the cause of Christ as indicated in the report of conversions through the EVANGELIST. I hope the brethren will be careful not to resort to doubtful expediences. Those only have power to become the sons of God, "who believe on his name, and are born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth forever." John 1:13; 1 Peter 1:23.

H. R. HOLSINGER.

Berlin, Pa.

LANARK, ILL.

The church at this place is rejoicing to see souls come to Christ. So far this new year twelve have made the good confession and have been baptized. We began meeting Feb. 1; Brother Livengood is doing the preaching. Never in the history of the church at this place have we witnessed such interest in a meeting conduct-

ed by our home minister. I am glad to note that not only in Lanark but everywhere, wherever God's people are moved by the Holy Spirit that souls are being saved.

Dear brethren and sisters if you want to see souls gathered for Christ, read Acts 4:32, and go to work on the same principle and God will as surely reward as he did in the time of the apostles. We are not rejoicing in the number of conversions but in the fact that sinners are being saved. To think that one soul is of more value than the whole world is to rejoice in treasures being turned into God's great treasury, many times greater in value than this (to us great) world. Pray God to send more laborers into his vineyard.

B. F. PUTERBAUGH.

WARSAW, IND.

Our revival meeting closed last night with forty seven accessions, and many more very near the kingdom. We have had a soul refreshing time. We feel that this is one of the most profitable meetings that we have ever had. The church has been wonderfully blest spiritually. Our pastor brought, night after night, a message to us from God's word, making us realize more fully than ever before, the responsibility of souls that is resting on God's children.

Sinners heard and received the word, and were baptized into the fold of Christ. Some were heads of families, some were young men and young women and a number of Juniors came. Among the many things the Brethren church at this place are thankful for is a pastor that is loyal to Christ and the church, and fears not to declare the whole truth. Brother Yoder left this morning for Mexico, Ind., to help Brother Ditch in a revival meeting.

ANNA E. SWITZER.

SALEM CHURCH, IND.

On January 17, Brother Summers commenced protracted meeting here for us. The first week was very cold but had very good crowds and quite an interest was manifested.

January 26, brother R. R. Teeter of Rossville, Ind. came to assist Brother Summers. The second week of the meeting the weather got warmer and then we had large crowds, more than could be seated. Had good order and good interest.

Many compliments have been spoken about the many good sermons that was delivered here. Some of them were Teaching and Doing, A Plain Question, The Straight Gate, Escape Impossible, The Unquestionable Power to Save, A Man Troubled by His Thoughts. Received one by relation and three by confession

and feel many more are counting the cost. Our meeting had to close too soon but Brother Summers had to go to Ohio and Brother Teeter to Flora. Meeting closed Feb. 5.

The Brethren have gone and may God's blessing ever be with them that they may ever be faithful and ever wage war against Satanic power. Sister Teeter has our many thanks for her assistance in our day meetings and in the song service and we say to Brother and Sister Teeter come again and be welcome.

M. W. EIKENBERRY.

Burlington, Ind.

WILLIAMSON, PA.

I should have reported the re-election of our S. S. C. E. to the president and secretary, but neglected to do so. Will do so through the EVANGELIST, hoping all concerned may see. Report of the second election of S. S. C. E. held in the Brethren church, Oct. 20, 1896. elected the following officers for 1897: President, Mrs. Harry Davis; vice president, Mrs. H. R. Dooly; secretary, Mrs. J. K. Myers; treasurer, Mrs. Jacob Klock. Our society isn't progressing very fast. We need the prayers of all the brothers and sisters.

ELLA KLOCK.

ROSENA, CAL.

Rosena is having a boom. This morning, Feb. 17, 1897, some 30 to 40 two horse teams have commenced plowing for Canagre, and quite a number of men with grubbing hoes are clearing off the ground. The Syndicate I understand will continue the work until 2500 acres are put in Canagre. God bless our College; may prosperity be its glorious success. Amen. Our EVANGELIST is very good. God bless its glorious mission bearing the glad tidings of the blessed Christ our risen Lord. May it find an abiding place in every house of the entire brotherhood. Rosena church has raised her quoto for the College debt. JOHN NICHOLSON.

How many take a wrong view of life, and waste their nervous system in endeavoring to accumulate wealth, without thinking of the present happiness they are throwing away. It is not wealth nor honor that makes a man happy. Many of the most wretched beings on earth have both. But it is a radiant, sunny spirit, which knows how to bear little trials and enjoy little comforts, and thus extract happiness from every incident in life.—*Christian World*.

There is an ascending scale in experience—if you do not at first succeed, try, try, again.—*Neel*.